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For your consideration:

I am directing myself to you to let you know about my son, Carlos Dante Gullo, who was declared free of charge and not guilty in front of Judge-Doctor Spangenberg from the Department of Justice of San Martin, Providence of Buenos Aires. Such decision is now to the disposition of the P. E. National, but he remains detained and at this time he is now in prison at Penal de Sierra Chica. His detention began on April 17, 1975 when they tried to kidnap him while he was having lunch with a group of political leaders.

The social unrest of my son made him an activist political figure. He was delegate to the National Youth Peronista Movement. He was presidential assessor to ex-president, Hector Campora, and representative of the Argentinas Political Youth, making trips for countries in Latin America where he was known and he also received in Buenos Aires many delegations from many parts of the world. In all his activities, all his efforts were for peace and unity of all the people.

They have given him the necessary papers to apply for the option to leave the country and travel to Italy. Italy through their Embassy in Argentina have already agreed to give him asylum in their country.

This letter is not to inform you about the judicial situation about my son, but more to safeguard his life because I am afraid that while they are transporting him out of jail, something may happen to him because we have always been told of cases where prisoners were mentioned freed, allegations were made that many prisoners would try to escape and then were shot to death. I am very afraid that his jail detention will be the cemetery.

This anguish is not unfounded: My wife, Angela Maria Aieta de Gullo at this time 57 years old, was arrested on the 5th day of August, 1976 at our home by people who claimed worked for the federal government. From that day on, I do not know anything about her judicial situation or if she is alive. She did not have any political inclination or activities. She was only trying to free our son and she spent all her time visiting him at the jail.

Hoping for solidarity that you can bring, a bit of peace at my desolate home, and wishing that I will find my next Christmas with a little bit of happiness. I remain,

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Fraternally yours,

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